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What is claimed is:

1. A system comprising:

means for accepting a cartridge having a slot for a memory device to store a plurality of media objects;

means for displaying the plurality of media objects in reduced visual representations in at least one track; and

means for navigating among the reduced visual representations.

2. The system of claim 1 wherein the plurality of media objects stored in the memory device are transferred to the cartridge when the memory device is inserted into the slot.

3. The system of claim 2 wherein the memory device is a flash memory card.

4. The system of claim 1 wherein the display means displays imported objects in a first track, authored stories in a second track and in a third track, at least one of the authored stories on the third track being part of a story under creation.

5. The system of claim 4, wherein the imported objects are provided from the memory device and comprise the imported stories.

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- 1 6. The system of claim 4, wherein means for navigating among the reduced
2 visual representations comprises:
3 means for selecting the media object from the first track and/or from the
4 second track;
5 means for adding a representation of the selected media object to the third
6 track to enable a user to author a new story; and
7 means for moving one of the authored stories from the second track to the
8 third track to enable the user to edit the authored story.
- 1 7. The system of claim 6 further comprising means for selecting background
2 music from a plurality of pre-recorded background music songs and means
3 for associating the selected background music with the authored story.
- 1 8. The system of claim 7, wherein the means for selecting comprises a game
2 controller having a joystick and a plurality of control buttons.
- 1 9. The system of claim 8, wherein the joystick is used to scroll among the first
2 track, the second track and the third track, and wherein the plurality of
3 control buttons comprise an add button and a delete button for adding and
4 deleting, respectively, the media object in the third track.

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- 1 10. The system of claim 9, wherein the joystick and the plurality of control
2 buttons specify an Internet email address to send the plurality of media
3 objects to a recipient.
- 1 11. The system of claim 10, wherein the plurality of control buttons and
2 joystick specify the Internet email address by selecting a plurality of
3 alphanumeric characters with the plurality of control buttons.
- 1 12. The system of claim 10, wherein the plurality of control buttons and
2 joystick select the Internet email address from a list of previously generated
3 Internet email addresses.
- 1 13. The system of claim 12, wherein the second track displays previously
2 generated Internet email addresses, and wherein the third track displays
3 the selected Internet email address.
- 1 14. The system of claim 12, wherein the memory device is a flash memory
2 card.
- 1 15. A method comprising:
2 accepting a cartridge having a slot for a media card storing a plurality of
3 media objects;
4 displaying the plurality of media objects in reduced visual representations
5 displayed in a plurality of tracks; and
6 navigating among the reduced visual representations.

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1 ²16. The method of claim 15, further comprising transferring the plurality of
2 media objects stored in the media card to the cartridge when the media
3 card is inserted into the slot.

1 ³17. The method of claim 16, wherein the media card comprises a flash memory
2 card.

1 ⁴18. The method of claim 15, wherein displaying the plurality of media objects
2 comprises displaying imported stories in a first track on a display,
3 authored stories in a second track and in a third track on the display, an
4 authored story on the third track being a story under creation.

1 19. The method of claim 18, further comprising transferring the imported
2 stories from the media card, wherein the imported stories comprise of one
3 or more media objects.

1 ⁶20. The method of claim 15, wherein navigating among the reduced visual
2 representations comprises:
3 moving the media object from the first track and/or from the second track
4 to the third track to enable a user to author a new story; and
5 moving the authored story from the second track to the third track to
6 enable the user to edit the authored story.

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1 21. The method of claim 20 further comprising selecting background music
2 7 from a plurality of pre-recorded background music to associate the selected
3 background music with the authored story.

1 8 22. The method of claim 20, wherein moving the media object comprises using
2 a game controller having a joystick and a plurality of control buttons.

1 10 23. The method of claim 22, further comprising using the joystick and the
2 plurality of control buttons to specify an Internet email address of a
3 recipient to send the plurality of media objects.

1 24. The method of claim 23, wherein specifying the Internet email address
2 comprises selecting a plurality of alphanumeric characters.

1 12 25. The method of claim 23, wherein specifying the Internet email address
2 comprises selecting the Internet email address from a list of previously
3 generated Internet email addresses.

1 13 26. The method of claim 23, further comprising the second track displaying
2 previously generated Internet email addresses, and the third track
3 displaying the selected Internet email address.

1 27. The method of claim 15, further comprising displaying the plurality of
2 media objects on a television screen.

- 1 28. A system comprising
2 a storage device to store a plurality of stories, each story comprising a
3 plurality of media objects; and
4 a console comprising
5 a processor in communication with the storage device; and
6 an input interface for accepting the storage device, the storage device
7 having a slot for a media card comprising the plurality of media
8 objects.
- 1 29. The system of claim 28 further comprising a display coupled with the
2 console, the display displaying the media objects in a first track, a second
3 track and a third track.
- 1 30. The system of claim 28 further comprising a controller, coupled with the
2 console having a joystick and multiple control buttons to move media
3 objects among the first track, the second track and the third track.
- 1 31. The system of claim 30 wherein the controller controls play of a plurality of
2 authored stories, each authored story comprising the plurality of media
3 objects, wherein the authored story generated by the user using the
4 controller to group related media objects.

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1 32. The system of claim 31, wherein the display displays the authored stories
2 in the second track and in the third track, with the authored story in the
3 third track is under construction.

1 ³33. The system of claim 28, wherein the media card comprises a flash memory
2 card.

1 34. A system, comprising
2 a console having an input interface for accepting a storage device to store a
3 plurality of media objects, the storage device having a slot for a media
4 card;
5 a display coupled with the console to display the plurality of media objects
6 in a first track, a second track and a third track; and
7 at least one controller coupled with the console, the controller comprising a
8 joystick and at least one control button to navigate the plurality of
9 media objects among the first track, the second track and the third
10 track.

1 35. The system of claim 34, wherein the media card comprises a flash memory
2 storing the plurality of media objects.

1 ³36. The system of claim 34, wherein the controller controls play of a plurality
2 of authored stories, each authored story comprising the plurality of media
3 objects, wherein the authored story generated by the user using the
4 controller to group related media objects.

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- 1 37. The system of claim 36, wherein the display displays the plurality of
- 2 authored stories in the second track and in the third track, with the
- 3 authored story in the third track is under construction.

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